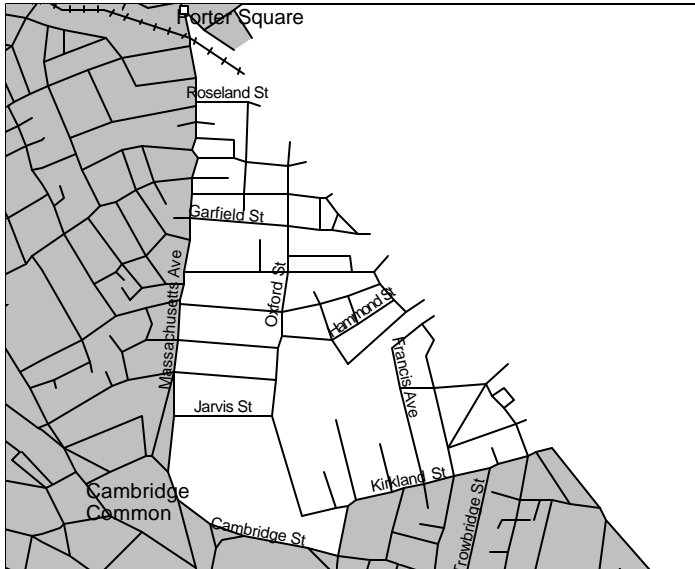
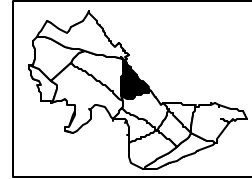


NEIGHBORHOOD 8

AGASSIZ



BOUNDARIES: bounded by Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge Street, Quincy Street, Kirkland Street, and the Somerville border

POPULATION: 5,158 residents
1,891 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$36,853

Neighborhood #8 is encompassed by the patrol boundaries of Car 5 (2 officers) and Car 9R (1 officer). It is also covered by walking routes 8A, 8B, and 8C.

2001 FIRST QUARTER REVIEW

As usual, Agassiz touts a very low crime average. Throughout the 1st Quarter, neighborhood crime-control efforts and effective policing strategies continued to have a visible impact on this area. **Auto thefts** were virtually unheard of, as only 2 crimes of this nature were reported. • **Malicious destruction of property** dropped tremendously as well, with half as many incidents as there were in 2000. **Illegal drug activities** were non-existent in Agassiz, as were **housebreaks** (exhibiting an incredible drop from last year's total of 5) • **Street robbery** has traditionally been low in this area, as well. For the entire 1st Quarter of 2001, only 1 incident was reported: a March 8th robbery that was part of a short series of related robberies that traversed 2 adjoining neighborhoods (Agassiz and Peabody). The perpetrator (a 30-yr-old male) was known to approach young adults walking alone between 8 & 10:30 pm. At gunpoint, he would request they "keep walking," while they handed him their money. • Though still low, **Larcenies from MV's** went up 50%, with autos most frequently targeted Sunday through Tuesday, after 9 pm. Tire theft was most popular among forms of MV larceny, as car-owners returned to find their vehicles hoisted-up on blocks or jacks, with tires missing.

COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS FIRST QUARTER 2000 & 2001

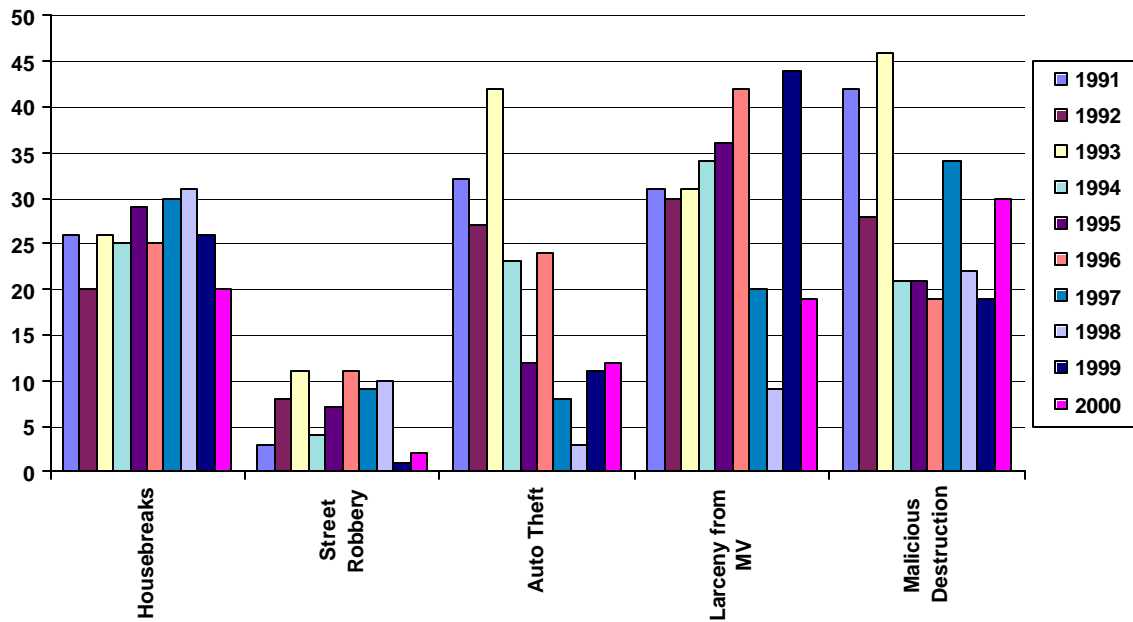
CRIME	1 st Q 2000	1 st Q 2001	% CHANGE
Housebreaks	5	0	<u>Inc.</u>
Street Robbery	0	1	<u>Inc.</u>
Auto Theft	5	2	-40%
Larceny from MVs	4	6	+50%
Malicious Destruction	8	4	-50%
Drug Arrests	0	0	None

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Over half of the Agassiz neighborhood is occupied by Harvard University and Lesley College. The rest of the residential population is concentrated primarily in a triangle in the northern section of the neighborhood, capped by bustling Porter Square. A number of businesses line Massachusetts Avenue on Agassiz's west border.

Harvard University, which has its own police department, patrols Harvard property in the southern part of the neighborhood. Our statistics do not reflect most incidents that occur on Harvard University property.

- Agassiz has a significantly lower than average rate for almost every measured crime. Unlike some other neighborhoods, only one of its borders is defined by a major, heavily trafficked avenue. Only four other neighborhoods have lower average **housebreak** and **larceny from motor vehicle** totals; only three other neighborhoods have lower average totals for **street robberies**, and Agassiz ranks as the third lowest neighborhood for **auto theft** and **malicious destruction**.
- There were no **street robberies** during this quarter in 1999, but that changed in 2000 when there was one street robbery. It occurred when the suspect demanded the victim's money and also showed a silver handgun. No one was hurt and \$60 was taken.
- The **malicious destruction** statistics reflect incidents of spray-painting at the Agassiz School.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR AGASSIZ AREA TARGET CRIMES					
<i>Crime</i>	<i>1981-1990</i>	<i>Rank 81-90*</i>	<i>1991-2000</i>	<i>Rank 91-00*</i>	<i>Rank 2000*</i>
Housebreaks	67	8	25	10	10
Street Robbery	11	9	6	10	11
Auto Theft	45	12	20	10	11
Larceny from MVs	47	11	30	11	11
Malicious Destruction	45	11	29	10	11

*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest